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SUB: GHANAIAN AMBASSADORIAL APPOINTMENTS

1. GOVERNMENT OF GHANA HAS ANNOUNCED THAT COLONEL SAMUEL M. ASANTE, CURRENTLY HIGH COMMISSIONER TO NIGERIA, WILL REPLACE H.V.H. SEKYI AS HIGH COMMISSIONER IN LONDON. ASANTE, 41, HAS BEEN IN LAGOS SINCE 1972. MILITARY CAREER, 1961-67, WHEN HE RESIGNED AFTER IMPLICATION IN UNSUCCESSFUL COUP IN 1967, ALTHOUGH HE WAS ULTIMATELY EXONERATED. HE STUDIED AT UNIVERSITY OF GHANA AFTER LEAVING MILITARY AND REMAINED IN PRIVATE LIFE UNTIL APPOINTMENT TO NIGERIA UNDER CURRENT NRC REGIME, WITH SEVERAL MEMBERS OF WHICH HE HAS CLOSE PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP.

2. NEWLY APPOINTED AMBASSADOR TO EGYPT, COL. CHEMOGO D. BENNI, DEPARTED AUGUST 27 TO TAKE UP POST IN SUCCESSION TO MAJOR GENERAL C.C. BRUCE (SINCE APPOINTED TO EMBASSY IN SENEGAL). BENNI, 36, WAS IN MILITARY 1959-73, AND ATTENDED COMMAND AND GENERAL STAFF COLLEGE AT FORT LEAVENWORTH, 1969-70. HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE NRC FROM THE COUP IN 1972 UNTIL OCTOBER,

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191- WHEN HE RESIGNED AS COMMISSIONER FOR INFORMATION AND

RETIRED FROM ARMY. HE HAS NOT HELD PUBLIC OFFICE UNTIL  
HIS APPOINTMENT TO CAIRO.

3. MFA OFFICIAL HAS INFORMED US THAT BRIG. HUBERT D.  
TWUM-BARIMA, CURRENTLY AMBASSADOR TO ZAIRE, IS TO BE  
APPOINTED HIGH COMMISSIONER TO NIGERIA IF PRESENT PLANS ARE  
CARRIED OUT. SEKYO WILL RETURN FOR POSTING IN ACCRA  
AND IS EXPECTED TO HEAD GHANAIAN EQUIVALENT OF FSI,  
ALTHOUGH IT IS ALSO RUMORED HE IS UNHAPPY AT PROPOSED  
NEW ASSIGNMENT AND MAY RETIRE FROM SERVICE.

4. NONE OF THE INDIVIDUALS NAMED ARE KNOWN PERSONALLY  
TO OFFICERS PRESENTLY STATIONED IN ACCRA. WE WOULD  
APPRECIATE ANY MATERIAL INFO ADDRESSEES MAY HAVE.  
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